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23 (UNLIMITED JURISDICTION)

24 COORDINATION PROCEEDING SPECIAL
25 TITLE (Rule 1550(b))

26 NATURAL GAS ANTI-TRUST CASES
27 I, II, III & IV

28 This Document Relates To:
ALL PRICE INDEXING CASES

Judicial Council Coordinating Proceeding
Nos. 4221, 4224, 4226 & 4228

[JOINTLY PROPOSED]
SCHEDULING ORDER

Date: Jan. 31, 2006
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Dept.: 71
Judge: Hon. Ronald S. Prager
Coordination Trial Judge

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Clerk of the Superior Court

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By: K SANDOVAL, Deputy

1 A status conference in the Price Indexing Cases was held on January 31, 2006
2 beginning at 10:00 a.m. The appearances of counsel are as noted in the minutes of the status
3 conference. Following discussion between the Court and counsel regarding scheduling matters, it
4 is hereby ordered as follows.

5 Plaintiffs shall file a letter brief in support of their motion to compel jurisdictional
6 discovery from CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Reliant Energy, Inc. (the "Reliant and Centerpoint
7 Defendants") by February 7, 2006. The Reliant and Centerpoint Defendants shall respond by
8 letter brief(s) by February 14, 2006.

9 Plaintiffs shall file a letter brief in support of their motion for a protective order
10 concerning the subpoena duces tecum served on the El Paso Settlement Administrator, Poorman-
11 Douglas Corporation, by February 7, 2006. Defendants shall file a single responsive letter brief
12 by February 14, 2006.

13 The Court may resolve the aforementioned motions based on the parties' letter
14 briefs and oral argument. The next status conference will be held on February 16, 2006 at 1:30
15 p.m., at which time the Court will address the aforementioned motions. Liaison Counsel for
16 Class Plaintiffs shall prepare and circulate a proposed agenda, to which Defendants may add, in
17 advance of the status conference.

18 Plaintiffs shall have until March 30, 2006 complete discovery on the pending
19 motions to quash filed by Defendants Aquila, Inc.; CenterPoint Energy, Inc.; Reliant Energy, Inc.;
20 Reliant Energy Services Inc.; CMS Energy Corp.; Cantera Natural Gas, LLC; Cantera Gas Co.;
21 and Encana Corporation (collectively, the "Motions to Quash") and the pending demurrers by
22 Kathleen Zanaboni, Encana Corporation and Semptra Energy (collectively, the "Affiliate
23 Demurrers"). Plaintiffs shall file and serve their oppositions to the Motions to Quash and
24 Affiliate Demurrers no later than April 3, 2006. Plaintiffs are encouraged to stagger the filing of
25 their oppositions (i.e., file a number of them in advance of the April 3, 2006 deadline), to the
26 extent they are able to do so. Defendants' replies to Plaintiffs' oppositions shall be due 18
27 calendar days after filing and service of the opposition (i.e., as to oppositions filed and served on
28 April 3, 2006, replies shall be filed and served no later than April 21, 2006). The Court will set

1 hearing dates on the various Motions to Quash and Affiliate Demurrers) at a later time.

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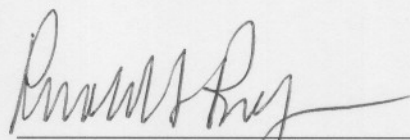
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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 14, 2006



Hon. Ronald S. Prager
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